

of the University of Arkansas Chancellor's Society and given the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Distinguished Service Award.

Northwest Arkansas will long remember the contributions made by Pat Walker, and we join her 2 children, 7 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren in celebrating her wonderful life.

VOTING RIGHTS

(Mrs. BEATTY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. BEATTY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of all of those individuals who died or were assaulted trying to register to vote and vote. I rise today in support of all of those individuals who are registering to vote and will vote. I also rise to condemn the assault on Americans' fundamental right to vote.

Across the country, including in my home State of Ohio, we are seeing greater restrictions on voting rights following the Shelby County v. Holder decision. It is no secret these laws are designed to make it harder for Americans to vote, specifically, minorities. They are laws like the one passed by the Ohio Legislature taking away "Golden Week," a week-long period allowing individuals, Mr. Speaker, to both register to vote and cast a ballot at the same time.

Well, I say enough is enough. Our democracy is stronger when all Americans, not just a few select, are able to vote. As our chaplain said today, let us work together so freedoms flourish.

Let us not give up, Mr. Speaker. Let us pass H.R. 885, the Voting Rights Amendment Act, to restore the full power of the Voting Rights Act and right the wrongs created.

RECOGNIZING KIMBERLY BIGOS

(Mr. WALBERG asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Kimberly Bigos, a student at Spring Arbor University in my district.

Kimberly created the moving piece of artwork displayed to my left. I have had the privilege to see it in person, and the picture doesn't do it justice. It is a life-size wheelchair made out of little toy green Army men, innocent as they might be. She used more than 1,000 Army men and spent more than 60 hours to finish it.

The sculpture signifies all the aspects of military service, from fighting on the front lines in battle, to returning home with life-altering injuries, to the supreme sacrifice.

America's veterans sacrifice so much and we often lose sight of the effects of their service. Kimberly's sculpture is a powerful reminder about real life for our wounded warriors. These men and women have displayed incredible cour-

age and heroism in service to our country, and now it is time for us to serve them.

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STARBUCKS AND FEEDING AMERICA TACKLING HUNGER

(Mr. MCGOVERN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, to kick off Hunger Action Month, today I joined with Representative LYNN JENKINS of Kansas on a tour of Starbucks on Capitol Hill to learn about an innovative partnership between Feeding America and Starbucks to donate unused food.

At the end of each day, Starbucks will package surplus ready-to-eat food that gets picked up overnight and delivered to local food banks. I was impressed by the selection of nutritious food. We often think of Starbucks as a place to stop for a great cup of coffee, but we saw a number of healthy options like salads, sandwiches, and more.

Starbucks will expand the project to all its stores in the next few years. They expect to donate 50 million meals annually, diverting 60 million pounds of surplus food away from landfills and to hungry families in need.

More than 47 million Americans suffer from hunger and food insecurity. In the richest country in the world, we must do all we can to ensure that no family goes hungry, and donating unused food is a key step. Starbucks deserves much credit for being a leader in the effort to end hunger.

SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

(Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, recently, Roger Webb, of the University of Manchester, conducted a study which found that when parents have psychiatric illnesses or have attempted suicide, their children are at increased risk for attempting suicide themselves.

Our healthcare system for families with genetic histories of other biological diseases should be no different from those of psychiatric diseases. We must intervene early before the mental health crisis starts. But, unfortunately, in the United States, with too few psychiatric beds, a shortage of psychiatrists and psychologists, and 112 Federal agencies that are a disjointed mess, no, we are not there yet.

But the House passed the Helping Families in Mental Health Crisis Act in July to make a difference in this. We now call upon the Senate to make a difference as well. They need to make sure they pass this bill and don't pass up the opportunity to save lives.

So far, since September 1, 7,672 lives have been lost related to mental illness; and since the House-passed bill, 61,000. We have to understand we must have treatment before these tragedies and provide help before hope.

I hope the Senate passes H.R. 2646 before they leave in September.

RECOGNIZING SUSAN MARCHESE

(Mr. ASHFORD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ASHFORD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize one of Omaha's most illustrious athletes, Susan Marchese. Susan has been a dominant figure in Nebraska amateur golf for 40 years, dating back to her first two high school State championships in 1977 and 1978 as a student athlete at Omaha's Duchesne Academy.

After high school, she attended the University of Oklahoma, where she was a four-time letter winner and an individual runner-up in the Big Eight tournament in 1981.

Throughout the course of her post-college career, Susan has won 18 State amateur golf championships, 16 Omaha city championships, and six Nebraska senior women's golf championships. Her success on the green led to her induction as a member of the Nebraska Golf Hall of Fame, Nebraska High School Hall of Fame, Omaha Athletic Hall of Fame, and the Duchesne Academy Sports Hall of Fame.

Now, as a Member of the House of Representatives, I am here to recognize the outstanding career of Susan Marchese.

DEFECTIVE MILITARY EQUIPMENT

(Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with grave concerns over a recent Justice Department Inspector General report detailing how Federal Prison Industries manufactured defective military equipment that endangered the lives of our troops.

The DOJ investigation into FPI, which is owned and operated by the U.S. Bureau of Prisons found that "FPI had endemic manufacturing problems."

This photo of a test mannequin in an NBC News story about defective prisoner-made equipment shows brain damage likely would have occurred from a small 9 millimeter bullet through a helmet.

Making matters worse, the investigation also uncovered that FPI employees instructed inmates to lie and falsely indicate that the helmets being manufactured had passed inspection and met the required safety specifications. This is completely unacceptable, and potentially criminal.

The FPI response? Reassign the employees.

Can you imagine if these were private sector employees rather than government bureaucrats?